

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

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INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY SANA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 1031

DEPARTMENT PASS SECRETARY'S PARTY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS ON INDIAN OCEAN

1. REF: STATE 064374

1. SINCE SUDANESE CONCERN RE INDIAN OCEAN AS ZONE OF PEACE  
ALONG WITH SIMILAR CONCEPT FOR RED SEA, SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED  
IN SEVERAL COMMUNICATIONS DURING PRESIDENT NIMEIRI'S RECENT  
VISITS MUSCAT, SOMALIA AND BOTH YEMENS, AMBASSADOR TOOK  
INITIATIVE MARCH 28 IN CALLING PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL RE  
DEMILITARIZATION INDIAN OCEAN (REFTEL) TO ATTENTION FONOFF  
U/SEC HASHIM OSMAN. AMBASSADOR NOTED OUR LONG STANDING  
POSITION OF AVOIDANCE COMPETITIVE ARMS RACE IN INDIAN OCEAN  
AND SAID WE HELD PROGRESS TOWARD DEMILITARIZATION INDIAN  
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OCEAN AS LONG-TERM OBJECTIVE. THIS CONNECTION, SECRETARY VANCE  
WOULD BE RAISING QUESTION MUTUAL MILITARY RESTRAINT IN  
INDIAN OCEAN DURING HIS CURRENT TRIP MOSCOW. OSMAN EXPRESSED  
EXTREME INTEREST AND SAID HE WOULD REPORT SUBSTANCE CONVER-  
SATION TO FONMIN KHALID, WHOM HE KNOW WOULD WISH BRIEF  
PRESIDENT NIMEIRI.

2. COMMENT: AS EXPECTED, SUDANESE ARE NOW MUCH MORE INTER-ESTED THAN FORMERLY IN INDIAN OCEAN SECURITY ISSUE SINCE GOS HAS EQUATED IT WITH RED SEA SECURITY ON WHICH NIMEIRI HIMSELF HAS BEEN ACTIVELY WORKING.

3. DEPT PASS OTHER POSTS AS APPROPRIATE.  
BREWER

NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED SECRETARY'S PARTY.

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